

**COMBINED DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY**

As the below named joint inventors, we declare that:

**TYPE OF DECLARATION**

This declaration is for an original application.

**INVENTOR IDENTIFICATION**

Our residences, post office addresses and citizenships are stated below next to our names. We believe we are the original, first and joint inventors of the invention entitled:

**LOW-PROFILE CATHETER VALVE**

**SPECIFICATION IDENTIFICATION**

The specification is filed herewith.

**ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF REVIEW OF PAPERS AND DUTY OF CANDOR**

We hereby state that we have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

We acknowledge our duty to disclose information of which we are aware, which may be material to patentability as defined in 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1.56, and which may be material to the examination of this application, namely, information where there is a substantial likelihood that a reasonable Examiner would consider it important in deciding whether to allow the application to issue as a patent, and in compliance with this duty, there is attached an information disclosure statement, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. Section 1.98.

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DECLARATION

We further declare that all statements made herein of our own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

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